

LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES

PTA Luncheon For Teachers

Teachers and staff members of the Howard Wood School were entertained at a luncheon by the Howard Wood PTA last Tuesday at the home of the PTA president, Mrs. Paul M. Crossman, 2143 Middlebrook Rd.

The event was under the direction of the hospitality committee composed of Mmes. Hiro Muranaka, Grant Tidmarsh and Keith Johnson. The group's first president, Mrs. Lee Pollock was an honored guest.

Girls of Troop 1006 acted as hostesses. They were Donna Reich, Donna Tidmarsh, Eileen Muranaka, Kimmye Takeuchi and Karen Crossman.

A paper drive on Wednesday, Sept. 19 will be the PTA year's ways and means project.

Crenshaw

The budget and finance committee of Crenshaw Elementary PTA met at the home of Mrs. William Drake on Friday, Sept. 17. A tentative budget was set up for approval by board and association members at a later date.

Special projects were advised for raising money for dental and milk fund, high school and eighth grade graduation parties. The most important project planned will be the establishment of a school library. Wholehearted support is expected of all parents, teachers, students and PTA members as all students will benefit. Mrs. Drake, library chairman, may be contacted for further information.

A special board meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Clint Chapman, president, recently. Plans were completed for the teacher brunch on Sept. 12 and to welcome new parents at the school on Friday, Sept. 14.

Aiding her are Mmes. Henry Fink, Walter Wild, N. N. Hixon, B. H. Omohundro and Principal Alfred Artuso.

Members of the organization feted school teachers and administrators at a "back to school" luncheon conducted Wednesday at the cafeteria. Plans are being completed for a membership drive, one of the chief activities of the start of the school year. The campaign will be conducted Oct. 4 through 11.

Mrs. C. F. Russell heads the membership drive committee.

186th Street

The first board meeting of the 186th Street School PTA was held at the home of Miss Ruth Engdahl, school principal, on Wednesday, Aug. 22. Mrs. Herman Eisenbeiss presided.

The program for the coming year, presented by Mrs. Guy Cels, program chairman, with the theme "Working Together" featured several night meetings and student participation. A report was given by Mrs. Floyd Beech, membership chairman, and approval was given for the theme and posters for the membership drive. It was decided to serve coffee to the parents registering new pupils on the first day of school, and Mrs. Melvin Soggs was appointed to head the committee in charge.

The following chairmen were ratified: Mmes. Jack Ackerman, welfare; J. M. Takahashi, radio and television and motion pictures; Tom Nakaki, health; James H. Ellis, school education; Philippe Major, juvenile protection; Don Dittman, magazine; Sam Tanahari, music; Donald Lasela, safety; Richard O'Brien, youth service; E. D. Skillman, recreation; Floyd Phillips, room representative; Melvin C. Sogge, hospitality; James McMillen, publicity and newsletter; R. Dean Bryan, legislation; Frank Daddi, ways and means; Edward Stivasen, community chest; and Miss Evelyn Buckley, faculty representative.

It was announced that the first PTA meeting would be held on Thursday, Sept. 20.

G-W Council

Gardena-Wilmington PTA Council members headed by Mrs. W. A. Blacker, president, discussed a fall season calendar and approved new chairmen for the 1956-57 term at a picnic in Torrance Park. Chairmen named for the term were: Community Chest, Mrs. E. G. Croom; honorary life membership, Mrs. Harry Peterson; ways and means, Mrs. Allen Robey; youth services, Mrs. Frank Brewer; Founders Day, Mrs. Gordon Lewis; magazines, Mrs. Clem Butler; Parent-Teacher information course, Mrs. Glenn Myers; pro-

El Nido

El Nido PTA will stage a get-acquainted pot luck supper for all students and their parents at the school, 186th and Hawthorne Blvd., on Wednesday evening, Sept. 19, from 6 until 9:30 p.m. Coffee, tea, punch, bread and butter will be provided by the PTA. All parents are invited to attend. Mrs. Elmer Ecker, 18503 Mansel Ave., is PTA president.

and would be preceded by a picnic to be held from 5:30 until 7 p.m. Each family is to bring its own supper and the PTA will serve coffee and cold drinks.

The meeting was preceded by the serving of cake and coffee and the introduction of the new executive board members. The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 9:15 a.m. in the teachers' room at the school.

grams, Mrs. C. N. Peterson; publications and emblems, Mrs. Norbora Nakatani; membership, Mrs. A. J. Rhoads; juvenile protection, Mrs. Santos Orozco; motion pictures, Mrs. Richard Crowell; recreation, Mrs. Anthony Greco; safety, Mrs. Fred Kruger; radio and television, Mrs. Mike Simone; Red Cross cooperation, Mrs. J. I. McMillen; hospitality, Mrs. Fred Celeston, Mrs. J. W. Shepard, Mrs. Samuel Johnston; room representative, Mrs. Tom Stockman; parent education, Mrs. John Raschke; record book, Mrs. Margaret Stewart; clippings, Mrs. James Munce, Mrs. Richard Loff, Mrs. Ray Clark; principal representative, Mrs. Evalyn Sullivan, Mrs. Guy Holliday, council photographer, Mrs. Robert Buck; official notices, Mrs. W. G. Seymour; telephone, Mrs. E. C. Woodmance; arts and crafts, Mrs. Carl Manson; newsletters, Mrs. Eugene Gladys.

Elementary school PTA represented were: Amstoy Ave., Carson St., Catskill Ave., Chapman Ave., Denker Ave., Dolores St., Dominguez, Fries, Gardena, Gulf Ave., Hawaiian, 186th St., 156th St., 232nd St., Wilmington Park.

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TEACHERS ARE WELCOMED... by the Howard Wood Elementary PTA at a luncheon at the home of the president, Mrs. Paul Crossman, 2143 Middlebrook Ave. Pictured serving, art Eileen Muranaka of Girl Scout Troop 1006, Mrs. Hiro Muranaka, hospitality chairman; Mrs.

Crossman, president, Mrs. G. Tidmarsh, room mother chairman; Mrs. Keith Johnson, courtesy chairman, and Donna Tidmarsh. The girls of Troop 1006 served as hostesses.

223rd Street

New officers and chairmen of 223rd St. School PTA were studying responsibilities and procedures related to their new positions today, following a pot luck picnic in Torrance Park.

Nine new chairmen were ratified by the board. They are: Mmes. Edward M. Clark and Paul Ferrara, assistant ways and means; George LaMontagne and C. W. Bartholomew, assistant refreshment; Louis Funk, parent education; Anthony Monge, juvenile protection; Frank Barrier, legislation; Virgil Johnson, recreation; Fred Harvey, home service.

223rd St. School PTA is composed of a board of 44 members, each of whom has a specific function. This year's board has responded enthusiastically to create an interesting and worthwhile program. All parents are urged to cooperate to insure its success.

223rd St. is using a circus theme for its drive, according to Mrs. A. A. Venable, chairman, who is assisted by Mrs. Donald King and board members.

Board meetings will be held every first Monday of the month at 9:30 a.m. instead of the previously planned Wednesdays.

The first general association meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 1:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

School of Information, sponsored by Tenth District PTA will be held on Thursday, Sept. 27. Sessions will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the First Methodist Church, Sixth and Grand Ave., with representatives from every PTA in the area in the audience.

Purpose of the School of Information is to orient officers and chairmen of the school parent organizations into the duties of their offices. Representatives from the district board will conduct seminar sessions in their particular field following the general meeting.

There will be a PTA-sponsored rag and paper drive on the grounds of 223rd St. School on Friday morning, Sept. 28.

Large paper bags will be sent home with the school children for parents to fill with rags. Mrs. Edward Kollmeyer, chairman asks that the bags, filled or not, be returned to the school by 10:30 on the morning of Sept. 28.

Bundles of papers should be securely tied in 10-inch stacks and magazines tied separately in order to qualify. Students receive more credit for bringing in papers themselves, but pick-ups will be arranged by calling Mmes. Edward Kollmeyer, Charles E. Jones, Harry Hill, Edward M. Clark or Paul Ferrara. Contributors may leave the bundles in front of their houses for pick-up.

Harbor City

Harbor City School PTA executive board held their meeting and a pot luck luncheon at Lomita Park on Wednesday, Sept. 5, with president, Mrs. Leland Van Buren, presiding. The flag salute was led by Mrs. William Giffin, and Mrs. Troy Collum acted as parliamentarian in the absence of Mrs. Charles Hilzer.

The resignations of Mrs. Albert Dudley, publicity, and Mrs. O. C. Grubbs, Founders Day and life membership chairmen, were accepted with regret. The following chairmen were ratified: Mrs. Dallas Wallick, publicity; Mrs. Loman Carter, co-child welfare; Mrs. Louis Stango, co-hospitality; Mrs. Kenneth Merrill, art; Mrs. Waldo Allred and Mrs. Albert Dudley, Community Chest.

Committees for registration and hospitality for the opening day of school, Sept. 17, at 8 a.m., were selected.

The various programs for coming year were outlined by Mrs. Tom Tower, carrying out the theme, "Our Investment in America - Strengthening Communities." Mrs. James Alexander outlined the various ways and means projects

FERN-GREENWOOD

A welcome Jack to school was extended to the teachers of the Fern and Greenwood Schools at a tea held in their honor last Tuesday by the executive board of the Fern-Greenwood PTA at the Cafetorium. Seven new teachers were introduced to the board members. Mrs. P. L. Ogle, hospitality and courtesy chairman, was assisted at the table by Mrs. I. R. White, Mrs. C. A. Strayer, Mrs. C. S. Connors, and Mrs. Bert Lynn.

The next meeting of the Mothersingers has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Sept. 19, at 2529 Sierra Ave.

also; the first of which will be a school carnival scheduled for Sept. 28.

Those attending the meeting and luncheon were: Mmes. Leland Van Buren, James Alexander, Troy Collum, Stephen Silkotch, Kenneth Merrill, Robert Alexander, Ray Cheek, Harry Alexander, Tom Tower, Glenn Scribner, B. J. Overton, C. Coleman, V. R. Seuffer, Anthony Graro, George Johnson, Michael Travers, John Blencowe, Cecil Pruet, Louis Stango, William Giffin and Dallas Wallick.

Walteria

Proposals to institute an over-ride tax for schools, and to participate in the state loan program have been endorsed by the board of the Walteria School PTA, according to Mrs. Henry Fink, president.

The measures, proposed by the Board of Education of the Torrance Unified School District, will be decided at a special election on Oct. 9.

Their importance in providing adequate school facilities here will be explained to the membership at the group's first general meeting of the current school year. Sherman Waldrip, assistant superintendent of schools, will be the chief speaker at the session, slated for 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 4 in the school cafeteria.

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